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Dear Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application for United States Letters Patent and in response to the Office Action mailed December 18, 2002, kindly enter the following amendments under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 and consider the following remarks relative to reconsideration of the present application. The foregoing amendment to the claims is provided in the preferred revised format with each of the instant Introductory Comments, Amendments to the Claims, and Remarks sections beginning on separate pages.

Furthermore, please consider the present transmittal as a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above-identified application. The Commissioner's subsisting authority to charge fees in this application to Deposit Account No. 50-0885 permits him to charge fees for the requested two-month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) extension at the small entity fee rate of \$205.00 or other appropriate amount at the time of this filing.